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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Fritz W. Ermarth
Chairman

SUBJECT: NIC Activity Report, 7 - 13 October 1988

DCI and DDCI Support

Larry Gershwin and Bob Blackwell briefed Major General William Burns, Director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, on Soviet strategic forces under a START agreement and their ability to augment their forces in wartime and on recent Soviet political developments. (NIO for Strategic Programs and NIO for USSR)

In response to the DCI's invitation General Crosbie Saint, Commander in Chief, US Army, Europe will visit CIA on 18 October for briefings, a NIC round table, and lunch. Larry Budge will escort. (NIO for General Purpose Forces)

Bill Kotapish briefed the newly appointed Director of the Vice President's National Border Interdiction System. (NIO for Counternarcotics)

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Estimates and Intelligence Memoranda

The draft NIE on the European Pillar is out for coordination, now scheduled for 24 October.

Community coordination of Soviet Policy During the Next Phase of Arms Control In Europe begins on 18 October.

Bob Blackwell and [redacted] issued a Sense of the Community Memorandum on implications of the recent Soviet leadership shake-up. (NIO for USSR)

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[] attended the Interdepartmental Group/Chemical and Biological Warfare meeting for discussions on US strategy and planning for the conference on the 1925 Chemical Weapons Protocol to be convened in Paris in December 1988 or January 1989. Secretary Shultz will head the delegation to review the chemical warfare use issue and move for greater control on countries with chemical warfare programs. (Assistant NIO at Large)

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Bob Blackwell met with Kennan Institute Executive Secretary Peter Reddaway to discuss Soviet leadership issues. (NIO for USSR)


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